

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 10-12 are presently active in this case. Claims 10-12 are amended and Claims 1-9 and 13-20 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer by way of the present amendment.

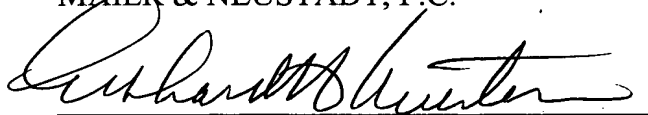
In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 1-9 and 12-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Shinohara (U.S. Publication No. 2002/0137526). Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Shinohara in view of Shiraga (U.S. Publication No. 2004/0209627). Claim 10 was objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim but was indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of its base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication that Claim 10 includes allowable subject matter. In light of this indication, Claim 10 has been amended to be in independent form, Claims 11 and 12 were rewritten to depend from Claim 10, and the remaining Claims 1-9 and 13-20 have been cancelled. Further, the language of Claims 10-12 has been clarified to distinguish the request received by the first radio as a “first request” from the request transmitted by the first radio terminal as a “second request”.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendment, the grounds for rejection and objection stated in the outstanding Office Action are moot, and Claims 10-12 are believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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